

With regard to the requirement for election and restriction, which is the only point raised in the Office Action, Applicant hereby provisionally elects Species A. The claims that read on this elected species include claims 1-7, 9-11, 13-16, 18-19, 21-26, 30, 34-42 as filed.

The claims to the invention not elected are withdrawn from consideration by the Examiner at this time, however, these claims are subject to reinstatement in the event the requirement for restriction is withdrawn or overruled.

Applicant respectfully traverses Examiner's restriction requirement. Examiner has not presented a proper restriction requirement. Examiner has not provided reasons that a restriction is needed. Examiner has not stated that the inventions are independent or distinct as claimed, nor has he given any evidence that it would be burdensome to search multiple inventions. Applicant asserts that Examiner is likely to be searching the same art or will uncover art directed to both subject matters as they are sub-combinations of the same invention and same manufacture.

Reconsideration of this restriction requirement is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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